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FOURTH FIELD ARMY ORDERED NORTH BY 20 JULY 1950

SOME UNITS REMAIN IN KWANGTUNG -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 16 Jul 50

Canton, 15 July -- The main force of the CCF Fourth Field Army stationed in Kwangtung has been ordered to move to the north by 20 July 1950. Chou Tesheng (1) /numbers refer to appended characters/, chief of the Rear Services Headquarters, remained at the Canton Staff Office (renamed Canton Message Center) to complete the army's unfinished business.

All roads leading to the west station of the Canton-Hankow Railroad were blocked off by the military authorities on 12 July to facilitate the loading of troops and equipment. About 2,000 CNA prisoners were also transferred to the north for undisclosed reasons.

Units of this army still remaining in Kwangtung include those stationed at Chang-mu-t'ou, Ch'ang-ping, and Nan-t'ou. These number about 3,000 men and are waiting to be replaced by the Liang-kuang Column commanded by Ts'eng Sheng(2). Others remaining in Kwangtung are those stationed at Huang-pu, Sha-ho, Nan-shiht'ou, and Nan-hsiao. The strength of the Liang-kuang Column is said to be about 3,000, while the troops stationed at Huang-pu, Sha-ho, Nan-shih-t'ou, and Nanhsiao number about 13,000.

TRANSFERS KWANGTUNG TROOPS TO HENG-YANG -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 4 Jul 50

Canton, 3 July -- Part of the CCF Fourth Field Army stationed in Kwangtung was ordered to Heng-yang, Hunan. The order, however, did not apply to the army group commanded by Teng Hua (3) now guarding the Canton--Chiu-lung Railroad.

It is also reported that the Forty-first Army and the Chu-chiang Column of the Forty-fourth Army, both stationed at Hui-yang, Kwangtung, will soon be ordered to Canton for transfer to some location in North China. These forces were engaged in constructing coastal defenses under supervision of Soviet advisors.

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REPORT ONE DIVISION AT HUI-YANG -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 11 Jul 50

Sha-yu-yung, 10 July -- Division commander Ssu-t'u Chieh (4) of the CCF Forty-first Army was recently ordered to assemble his units, now assigned to garrison Hui-yang, Hai-feng, and Pao-an hsiens, at Hui-yang, Kwangtung. He was also ordered to close his command post at Ta-p'eng Wan. Ssu-t'u and Deputy Commander Wen Yu-ch'eng (5) of the Forty-first Army are now said to be in Hui-yang.

CCF FORCES IN CHUNG-SHAN ORDERED TO CANTON -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, ll Jul 50

The Chinese Communist troops, numbering more than 1,000, now garrisoned at Chung-shan Hsien, Kwangtung, were ordered to Canton to await further instructions regarding their transfer to some point in the north. The security of the local areas after their departure has been assigned to the local militia.

It is also reported that 20 to 30 barges are now being concentrated at Tang-chia Wan. It is presumed that these barges will be used to transfer some 2,000 Communist troops located at San-fou and Chiang-men to Canton.

The Communist troops stationed in the Seventh and Eight Districts are also said to be concentrating at Shi-ch'i to be transferred to Canton.

DEPLOYS ARTILLERY TROOPS NEAR HONG KONG -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 12 Jul 50

Shen-ch'uang, ll July -- It is reported that some 1,000 artillery troops of the Fifteenth Army Group of the Fourth Field Army detrained at Shen-ch'uan, Kwangtung, near Hong Kong, on ll July 1950. These troops, transferred from Canton, were equipped with more than 50 new-type guns, 30 pack mules, and many crates of artillery ammunition.

It is generally believed here that these troops were moved to Shen-ch'uan to cover up the transfer of the Chinese Communist troops from Canton and to display the power of the CCF in this region.

LIN P'IAO MOVES TROOPS TO HUNAN -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 6 Jul 50

Canton, 5 July -- It is reliably reported that more than 60,000 troops under command of Lin P'iao are now being transferred to Heng-yang, Hunan, and Ch'u-chiang, Kwangtung, on the Kwangtung-Hunan border. It is also reported that a great deal of equipment, including 30 small tanks, as well as a unit of artillery and two infantry regiments are now assembled in the Hunan-Kwangtung Railroad yards to be transported to Hunan.

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